IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

April 11, 2008

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RE: REPLY TO MARCH 11, 2008 OFFICE ACTION

FOR: SERIAL NUMBER 10/604,046; ART UNIT 1797; FILED 6/24/2003; TITLE: ANTI-SPLASH, ANTI-SPILL APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR HOLDING

ANTISEPTIC SOLUTION DURING A SURGICAL PROCEDURE

EXAMINER: KEVIN JOYNER

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a detailed thirty-one (31) page reply to the above-referenced final office action.

This reply is timely filed without any changes to the number of claims, and so no fees are due.

By and with this reply, I hereby request further examination and consideration of this application, with the amendments submitted, described and supported herein.

Very Truly Yours,

Jay R. Yablon

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Name of Person signing this certificate: Jay R. Yablon

Serial Number: 10/604,046

Art Unit: 1797

Filing Date: 6/24/2003
Examiner: Kevin Joyner

Title of Invention: Anti-Splash, Anti-Spill Apparatus and Method

for Holding Antiseptic Solution During a Surgical Procedure

Inventor: James H. Wright

DETAILED REPLY TO MARCH 11, 2008 OFFICE ACTION

Following is a detailed reply to the above-referenced office action.

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Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 19.

REQUEST FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEW BEFORE SUBSEQUENT OFFICE ACTION

If the this reply does not result in allowance of all claims, applicants' counsel hereby respectfully requests a telephone interview with examiner Kevin Joyner, following receipt of this reply, and prior to issuance of any further office action.